



Office of the Governor  
State of Missouri

## Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, Sergeant Rodney L. Griffin, of Centralia, was a soldier in the United States Army, assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 34<sup>th</sup> Armored Regiment, 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division; and

**WHEREAS**, while serving his country, Sergeant Griffin was deployed to South Vietnam as part of the United States armed forces; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 2, 1970, Sergeant Griffin, age 21, was killed in action after the Army helicopter he was in received enemy ground fire and was forced to land in Cambodia; and

**WHEREAS**, Sergeant Griffin was listed as Missing In Action until 2015, when his remains were positively identified and returned to Missouri for interment.

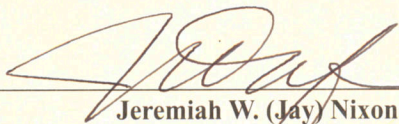
**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

### **SERGEANT RODNEY L. GRIFFIN**

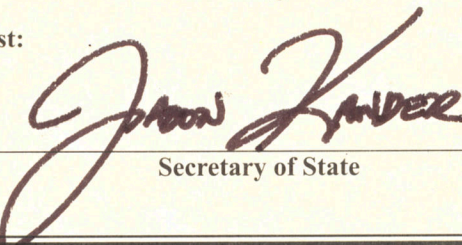
and for his bravery and service to the United States of America, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings statewide for one full day on Saturday, April 25, 2015, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2015.



  
Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon  
Governor

Attest:

  
Secretary of State